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SUBJECT: IAEA SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETINGS AND GC:

MISSION CONSULTATIONS

REF: (A) STATE 202260, (B) STATE 212234, (C) IAEA VIENNA 7309

SUMMARY: EXTENSIVE CONSULTATIONS WITH REPS OF KEY MISSIONS, MOST OF WHOM STILL LACK INSTRUCTIONS, INDICATE THAT THEY EXPECT (A) NO PROBLEM WITH RESPECT TO U.S. OFFER, (B) THEY ASSUME THEIR INSTRUCTIONS RE PLO OBSERVER STATUS WILL REFLECT POSITIONS TAKEN AT UNGA (C) AND THAT OUR ASSESSMENT OF SOUTH AFRICAN QUESTION REMAINS AS TRANSMITTED REF C. END SUMMARY.

1. COMMENCING AUGUST 27, AMBASSADOR STONE AND MISOFFS

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HAVE TO DATE EXCHANGED VIEWS, WITH LOCAL REPS OF 21

MEMBER STATES, PRINCIPALLY WITH REGARD TO U.S. VOLUNTARY OFFER, PLO OBSERVER STATUS AT GC, AND QUESTION OF FRANCE/IAEA/SOUTH AFRICA SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT AND FUTURE STATUS OF SAG IN IAEA. THOWE CONSULTED INCLUDED REPS OF UK, FRANCE, FRG, INDIA (TWICE), JAPAN (TWICE), USSR (TWICE), PHILIPPINES, ITALY, YUGOSLAVIA, COLOMBIA, THAILAND (TWICE), SOUTH AFRICA, DENMARK, ARGENTINA, URUGUAY, BRAZIL, CHILE, AUSTRALIA, IRAN, VENEZUELA AND NETHERLANDS.

2. FEW, IF ANY OF THESE REPS, HAD RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS ON THESE ISSUES. HOWEVER, THEIR GENERAL RESPONSE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

(A) U.S. OFFER: NO REP CONSULTED ANTICIPATED ANY PROBLEM WITH TEXT OF GOV/1806. IRANIAN REP, HOWEVER, DID QUESTION PURPOSE AND UTILITY OF THE OFFER AND INDIAN GOVERNOR ASKED IF U.S. NUCLEAR WEAPONS PROGRAM WOULD BE AFFECTED UNDER THE OFFER. BOTH RECEIVED APPROPRIATE EXPLANATIONS.

(B) PLO OBSERVER STATUS: ALMOST ALL REPS CONTACTED LISTENED CAREFULLY TO OUR ARGUMENTS AGAINST OBSERVER STATUS FOR PLO, AND MANY EXPRESSED SYMPATHY WITH OUR POSITION AND AGREED CONVEY USG VIEWS TO CAPITALS. HOWEVER, THEY ANTICIPATED RECEIVING INSTRUCTIONS WHICH WOULD BE ALONG LINES OF THEIR GOVERNMENTS' POSITION AT UNGA LAST YEAR.

(C) SOUTH AFRICA: CONSULTATIONS HAVE CONFIRMED MISSION'S ASSESSMENT CONTAINED REF C. FRANCE/IAEA/SOUTH AFRICA SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT HAS GOOD CHANCE OF RECEIVING BOARD APPROVAL. QUESTION OF SOUTH AFRICA'S STATUS IN THE AGENCY -- AND WITH IT THE ULTIMATE BRINING INTO FORCE OF THE SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT -- REMAINS IN DOUBT.LABOWITZ

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